## ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a nicotine-reducing agent and a nicotine-reducing smoking article that are used for reducing the nicotine content of the mainstream smoke of a 5 tobacco product. The present invention also provides a method for reducing the nicotine content of the mainstream smoke of a tobacco product by using the nicotine-reducing agent or nicotinereducing smoking article. The nicotine-reducing agent is an 10 aqueous liquid composition having a viscosity of 500 to 3000 mPa·s and containing at least one polysaccharide selected from the group consisting of tamarind seed gum, locust bean gum, xanthan gum, tara gum, guar gum, pectin, pullulan, psyllium seed gum, methylcellulose, carboxymethylcellulose, hydroxypropylmethylcellulose and carageenan.

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